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[Mitch O'Farrell, Councilmember, 13th District](#)



Kent --

I'm really excited about the grand opening of a new public facility in Hollywood, and I want to make sure you receive an invitation to join me at the event. We will dedicate a new pocket park on Carlton Way tomorrow morning -- a public-private partnership with the Department of Recreation and Parks and the Trust for Public Land that was five years in the making.

The dedication ceremony will be held on **Saturday, July 25, starting with my monthly community walk at 10 a.m.**, followed by [the park dedication at 11 a.m., at 5927 Carlton Way, in Hollywood.](#)

The new pocket park contains an entry plaza with accessible picnic tables, porch swings, a playground, and six pieces of fitness equipment. The park also features mosaics, some of which were made by members of the community, and drought tolerant trees and shrubs.

The beautiful new Carlton Way Park is the latest example of the fine work the Trust For Public Land has done in partnership with the City of Los Angeles. The new park will improve the look and feel of the neighborhood, enhance the pedestrian experience, and establish a sanctuary for residents and families in the heart of Hollywood.

As Chair of the City's Arts, Parks, and LA River Committee, it is important for me to see more parks in our great City, and especially in my district. The Hollywood community will now have a total of three pocket parks: Carlton Way, Smith Park, and Selma Park, in addition to the pool and open space at the Hollywood Recreation Center. The City of Los Angeles has some of the highest obesity rates in the county, and acquiring park space provides Angelenos with physical fitness outlets that help promote a healthier lifestyle.

Join me tomorrow morning in celebrating the opening of this latest facility in our district. [RSVP here.](#)

See you at the park!

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Mitch O'Farrell

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#### COMING UP

SAT 8/1 [ECHO PARK FILM SERIES AT ECHO PARK LAKE](#)

SAT 8/1 [CAMPING AT MARSH PARK](#)

MON 8/3 [GRAND REOPENING OF THE HOLLYWOOD POOL](#)

SAT 8/8 [CD13 FAMILY RESOURCE FAIR](#)

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## HEADLINES

Carlton Park to open in Hollywood [[BEVERLY PRESS](#)]

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## FLAME OF HOPE AT CAPITOL RECORDS IN HOLLYWOOD TO PROMOTE SPECIAL OLYMPICS

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HOLLYWOOD - Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell joined recording artist Tori Kelly and the team at Capitol Records to welcome the Special Olympics Flame of Hope to Hollywood during the law enforcement torch run.

"In 1968, Special Olympics founder Eunice Kennedy Shriver believed she could change lives through the power of sports, and transform communities around the world as they come into contact with individuals with intellectual disabilities," said Councilmember O'Farrell. "As we can see from the torch run, that flame of that vision still burns bright today. We are so proud to stand with those athletes who train throughout the year to transform their lives to become not only fit but also courageous and determined."

Jazmine Slama, a gold medalist in previous games, helped run the torch on this leg.

For more information on the Special Olympics World Games and the Opening Ceremonies, please click [here](#).

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## TEAM MITCH MAKING A DIFFERENCE

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Team Mitch partnered with Dream Center volunteers to sweep litter along Sunset Blvd, from N. Vendome St to Golden Gate Ave. We all need to partner together to keep our communities safe and clean. See an area in your neighborhood that needs attention? Contact my community organizer Sylvan De La Cruz at my Echo Park District Office 213-207-3015 or report an issue using the MyLA311 app on your Smartphone.

[SEE MORE BEFORE AND AFTER PHOTOS ON FACEBOOK](#)

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#### **CITY COUNCIL RECEIVES NEW COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

CITY HALL -- Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell received his latest committee assignments from the Council Presidents office. O'Farrell will now serve on the following committees.

**Arts, Parks, LA River**

Chair

**Health, Mental Health, and Education**

Vice-chair

**Energy and Environment**

Member

**Entertainment and Facilities**

Member

**Public Safety**

Member

**Public Works and Gang Reduction**

Member

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**A MESSAGE FROM LA ANIMAL SERVICES -- HOW TO CO-EXIST WITH COYOTES**

LOS ANGELES -- The Los Angeles Animal Services Department is releasing some helpful tips for residents who might be experiencing more coyote sightings, and how to protect your family and home from the urban wildlife in your neighborhood.

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#### **CITY OF LA GUIDELINES FOR ABANDONED PROPERTY AND ENCAMPMENTS**

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The following is a list of commonly asked questions regarding abandoned property and encampments, as well as a list of numbers for supportive services in the 13th Council District.

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#### **INSTAGRAM OF THE WEEK**

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HOLLYWOOD - Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell joined the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce to honor Kristen Chenoweth with the latest Star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

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